19.	Nurses & Midwives — for leave and duty	—	25%
20.	Members of St. John Ambulance Brigade and Relief Welfare Ambulance Corps, Calcutta — for ambulance camps/competitions.	—	25%
21.	Bharat Sewa Dal, Bangalore — for attending camps/meeting/rallies/trekking programmes.	—	25%
22.	Volunteers of Service Civil Internationa — for social service.	—	25%
23.	Artistes — for performance.	50%	
24.	Sportsmen participating in All India and State tournaments.	50%	
25.	Persons taking part in Mountaineering Expeditions organised by IMF	50%	

26. Press Correspondents accredited to the Coupon books at 50% Headquarters of Government of India/State concession in all classes Government/Union Territories/ Districts for press for 30,000 Kms per annum work.

(iii) Ministry of Railways grant concession at 50% and below in season tickets to the following categories of persons:

		I Class	II Class
1.	Orthopaedically Handicapped/Paraplegic persons alongwith an escort (for both)	50%	50%
2.	Blind persons travelling alone or with an escort (for both)	50%	50%
3.	Mentally retarded persons travelling with an escort (for both)	50%	50%
4.	Deaf & Dumb persons (both afflications together in the same person)	50%	50%
5.	Ostomy patients	50%	50%
6.	Bonafide students	50%	50%

(iv) Children below 5 years of age carried free. Besides, children 5 years & above but below 12 years of age charged half of the adult fare. These are not considered concessions as it is the method of charging for Children.

Surplus Railway Land

508. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have identified the surplus land in the Railways;

(b) whether Government have prepared any plan for proper use of the surplus land; and

(c) if so, the Division-wise details of surplus land and the plan prepared so far in each Division, for use of surplus land ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH):(a) Railways do not have any surplus land. The land presently lying vacant is required for Railways future developmental works.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Manning the Unmanned Level Crossings

509. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE;
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of unmanned level crossings proposed for manning in the next five years, starting from 1999-2000, year wise;

(b) the year-wise expenditure involved; and

(c) the approximate allocation of funds to the Railways from cess/duty on diesel in next five years from 1999-2000, year-wise, in pursuance of the decision to finance safety works at Railway crossings from National Highway fund?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) and (b) It has been decided to proposed 4449 nos. of unmanned level crossings for manning subject to availability of funds, during the next 5 years. Year-wise plan for manning and expenditure involved is given below:—

Year No.		No. of Level Crossings Proposed for Manning	Expenditure (Figures in crore)
1.	1999-2000	391	36
2.	2000-2001	1000	90
3.	2001-2002	950	86
4.	2002-2003	967	88
5.	2003-2004	1141	100
	Total =	4449	400

(c) The share of the Railway has not yet been finalised.